

MINUTES
LAKE PROVIDENCE WATERSHED COUNCIL
OCTOBER 21, 2015

The Lake Providence Watershed Council met via conference call at 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 17, 2015.

Chairman Randy Myers called the meeting to order:

PRESENT: Thomas Van Biersel, Amanda Vincent, Jim Lensing, Francis Lensing, Teddy Schneider, Reynolds Minsky, Joey Smith, Keith Brown (Rep. Abraham's office), and Randy Myers, Chairman.

ITEMS OF DISCUSSION

The minutes of the October 21, 2015 Council meeting were approved with no comments.

Subcommittee designees were reviewed and confirmed. Designees were instructed to provide line item lists of issues related to the various watershed topics for discussion at the next Council meeting.

Mr. Schneider and Mr. Lensing provided a summary of the NRCS soil health meeting held in Lake Providence earlier in the day. Information on alternative agricultural systems was given, including specifics on appropriate cover crops. The NRCS stated that assistance would be available for implementation of recommended cover crops.

Mr. Francis Lensing stated that he made contact with seven previous lake commission members and believed that they were willing to actively participate on a newly instated lake commission. Efforts will be made to get those members sworn in. It was agreed that the new commissioners would benefit from attending upcoming Council meetings.

It was recommended to invite Chris Knotts with LDOTD to an upcoming Council meeting to provide insight and discussion concerning the water control structures on Lake Providence.

Mr. Francis Lensing inquired about requesting comments from the public via a hearing or invitation to a Council meeting. Dr. Van Biersel suggested waiting until a draft report is near completion.

The next meeting was scheduled for January 14, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. at the East Carroll Sheriff's Office.

Meeting adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Randy Myers, Chairman